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JONES' FLOP.

His Change of Politics Causes a Genuine Sensation.

The Senator Says He Has Not Changed.

BUT HE HAS NO HOPE

Of Either of the Established Parties.

Parties Have Their Periods of Usefulness and Senility.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 7.—The announcement that Senator Jones of Nevada, had written a letter to the chairman of the Populist committee of his state, informing him that he had left the Republican party and cast his fortunes with the Populists, has created a real sensation.

Mr. Jones quite agrees with Senator Stewart in the belief that it is useless longer to pin faith to either of the old parties on this question, even if one or both should pronounce absolutely in favor of free silver.

It is believed by many old party men here that the action of Senator Jones may have a very important influence upon the coming congressional elections in the west and south. Jones is a man of extraordinary force, though keeping himself always within practical and sensible bounds. It has been admitted for years that no member of the senate is so generally and thoroughly popular with his fellow senators. It is said that his arguments in the cloak rooms have had much to do with the action of other Republicans who have almost placed themselves outside their party lines by subscribing to free silver. Jones' speech in connection with the repeal of the purchasing clause of the Sherman act, made day after day by installments, a reproduction in large part of his essay read before the International Monetary commission, is declared by all who have read it to be the most remarkable and fascinating paper ever written on the question of a monetary system. It was not a free silver coinage harangue, but a profound, philosophical analysis of the meaning of money, in which he asserted that money has no intrinsic value as money, and that a piece of paper with the government stamp is just as valuable as a piece of silver of the same denomination.

It was by no means merely the plea of an owner of silver mines for the purchase of his product, and his advocacy of free coinage is but one of the steps toward what he thinks is the ideal system.

There are rumors of other defections in the ranks of the Western Republicans to follow that of Senator Jones. It is asserted that Francis G. Newlands, the one representative from Nevada, will announce his "flop" within a few days, and that several of the western senators will soon leave over the party fence into the Populist fold. There are even rumors that Cameron contemplates a movement similar to that of Jones, and that he will stand for the Populist nomination for president. This is very improbable, however, as it is a foregone conclusion that Senator Cameron, with his great popularity among the silverites, will hardly be able to escape the Populist nomination for the presidency.

It is in Idaho and Colorado, however, that the influence of Jones' flop will be most seriously felt by the Republicans. Both of these states choose senators next winter, both senators being from the same party. In both states the Populists have had great success heretofore, and the abandonment of the Republican party by Jones in the interest of silver may carry many leading and influential Republicans into the Populist ranks.

It will be remembered that the great silver leaders believe that success for silver can only be brought about by the intervention of the third party. The Populist party has already made heavy gains from the Republican ranks.

The Republicans here would not be surprised if Senator Shoup of Idaho, who is a candidate for re-election, and Woot of Colorado, follow the example of Jones.

Senator Dubois of Idaho, speaking of the flop of Senator Jones, says:

"It will have a very bad effect in every silver state. Senator Shoup is a silver man. Besides, he is a member of the Populist committee of the finance committee. He holds an important place in the councils of the party. He is well liked and has plenty of sense. He has always been a consistent Republican and probably now holds views in accord with the Republicans on the tariff. Once in the Populist party he will, of course, act with that party to bring about such results as he can for the success of silver. He may or may not vote with the Republicans on a majority of party questions. He will, no doubt, from this time on devote himself to securing silver legislation by any means that he can use. His resignation from the Republican party at this time, when we are struggling with the Populists for control of several legislatures, cannot be anything but a bad effect. It will be hailed by the Populists with great delight, and it is a defection which we cannot well explain."

"It is all very well to say that Jones was not to be returned to the senate and he flopped for that reason, but his election will not come off for two years, and he had plenty of time to get into line with the Populists after the result of this election is known. He had time enough to wait and see if it was possible to win back Nevada from the Populists before he joined them, and there will be only one satisfactory explanation to the silver men of the west, and that is that the two old parties, in the judgment of some of the best Republicans, will do nothing for silver, and the only way to make themselves felt is to join a party that will have no other in-

terest in view and which places the money question ahead of the tariff or any other issue which may be presented. It is possible that we will see two Populists from Montana, two from Wyoming, one from Idaho and one from California. In that case, or in case half of these senators to be elected from the silver states are Populists, it will be a long time before the Republicans will again get control of the senate."

SENATOR JONES INTERVIEWED.
Says He Hasn't Changed, but the Parties Have Become Senile.

New York, Sept. 7.—Senator Jones is in the city and was interviewed by a reporter in regard to changing his politics. The senator said he had not changed whatever. The views that he advocates now are the same that he has been upholding in congress since he first entered that body. He regards, and his constituents regard, the money question as being of greater importance than the tariff or any other matter the late congress had acted upon. Senator Jones dwelt at some length on the importance of a fixed standard of money. "If I were asked," the senator said, "impressively, 'to devote in a word the cause of such depression, I should say, it might be laid at the door of 'falling prices.' The Populist party is growing in the west, for the reason that it is evident the two old parties have outlived their usefulness. Parties, like men, have their periods of usefulness and periods of senility. It takes no little courage to step aside and fight with those who are regarded as cranks and seceders by the older parties."

To another reporter Senator Jones said: "I see that I am quoted as being a Populist. Well, that's all right. I will not say whether it is true or false. I have, however, renounced the Republican party, and can no longer be counted as a Republican. My reasons for taking this step are clearly set forth in my letter to Hon. Eugene Sirother, chairman of the state central committee, which has been published today."

"I feel that the Republican party is unalterably opposed to the free coinage of silver at the American ratio of 16 to 1, or not at all without the consent of foreign governments, who are to dictate the ratio. I will not fight with them. I will never again vote for a president who does not favor free American coinage."

The senator placed considerable emphasis on the "American" and added that he felt assured from the present situation that the Populist party came closer to his ideas than either of the old parties. He conveyed the impression that while he did not endorse the Populist party platform in detail, he stood ready to vote for the national candidates of that party, provided the head of the ticket would be sure to sign a free coinage bill.

MAY NAME NO TICKET.

The Democratic County Convention Tomorrow Favors "Union."

The Democratic county convention will meet tomorrow at 2:30 p. m. at the court house.

Primaries were held and delegates elected in the various wards in the city last night, and there will be some delegates from the country precincts.

It now looks as if the convention will simply meet and adjourn without nominating a ticket. Things have been fixed that way and unless something unforeseen happens to thwart those who hold the reins of the Shawnee county Democracy there will be no Democratic ticket in Shawnee county this fall.

LABOR DAY CONCLUDED.

Some Left Over Contests Being Disposed of at the Fair Grounds.

There is a continuation of Labor Day today at the fair grounds. On account of the rain Monday the prize contests were discontinued before they were half over and this afternoon the remainder of the contests are coming off at the fair grounds. Admission is free and there are a good many in attendance. There were twenty-three of the contests left over for today.

All the ladies' gate prizes have not yet been given out. There were five of them. No. 1 belongs to the holder of ticket 662. It is a satin and lace embroidered corset. The second prize was a bonnet box and was drawn by a Mrs. Parkinson of Oregon county.

The third prize was won by Mrs. Jas. Sprout of Topeka. It was a fine parasol. Mrs. M. E. Allen of Topeka won the fourth, a dozen catsup and pickles in glass. Ticket No. 1094 can have the fifth prize, a writing set, by calling for it.

K. OF P. NEARLY DONE.

The Grand Lodge is Closing Up the Business of the Session.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 7.—The supreme lodge of the K. of P. is nearing the close of its session. A movement was started today to erect a monument to Major Rathbone, the founder of the order, who is buried at Utica, N. Y. Washington lodges will endeavor to raise a fund to purchase the hall which was the birthplace of the fraternity.

The supreme lodge today set aside the ruling of the supreme chancellor and major general of the uniformed rank in dishonorably dismissing from the rank Col. W. D. Creighton of Fresno, Cal., on the ground that he had not been given a hearing. Much interest is taken in the case in the west. This action still leaves it open for preferment of charges.

HAS ARTZ FLOPPED?

It Is Reported He Has Joined the Republicans.

Ex-Adjutant General H. H. Artz of the Kansas National guards, the man who first nominated Leonard D. Lewelling for governor in the Populist state convention at Wichita two years ago, and who stood by the governor during the legislative war, and since he was deposed led a commonwealth army out of Kansas, is said to have flopped.

Gen. Artz rode in the parade at the Curtis reception last Saturday and is now said to have left the Populist party and joined the Republicans. Gen. Artz could not be found this afternoon.

KING WILLIAM MAD.

Astonished That Any One Dares to Oppose His Wishes.

Opposition of Nobles to Their King is a Monstrosity.

IS VERY FATHERLY.

If They Are Good Children They Will Come to Him.

"Dishonor to Him Who Forsakes His King."

BERLIN, Sept. 7.—Emperor William made a sensational speech last evening at the state banquet which followed the military maneuvers about South Altenberg at which entertainment the king of Wurtemberg was the principal guest. His imperial majesty had previously struck from the list of guests the names of Count von Mirbach and Count von Kintz, as well as those of Generals Kintz and Sandim, but the names of the two latter were subsequently restored.

Emperor William's act plainly marks his displeasure at the attitude of the persons named upon the agrarian question. This is confirmed by the fact that the emperor yesterday decorated Count von Doenhoff with the order of the Red Eagle. Count von Doenhoff, it will be remembered in May last, was expelled from the conservative union because he voted for the Russo-German commercial treaty in the reichstag.

Soon afterwards Emperor William showed his approval of the count's action and he has now made his position clearer by honoring von Doenhoff with the order of the Red Eagle. The guests at last night's banquet were members of the highest nobility and included among them the great civil and military officers of the province.

Made a Deep Impression.
After the emperor had toasted the king of Wurtemberg and the latter had responded his imperial majesty began a speech which caused the deepest impression.

The exclusion of Count Mirbach and Count von Kintz from the list of guests had in a measure prepared the way for the direct admonition which the emperor, in emphatic tones administered. But his words created no less effect.

After a few words of thanks for his reception, Emperor William said: "When I was ten years ago, I emphasized the fact that in east Prussia, where the people are chiefly farmers, you must before all preserve and maintain a capable peasantry and that as such they would be a pillar of support to my monarchy. Hence, my constant endeavor, whenever the opportunity arises to foster the welfare and economic improvement of east Prussia."

"The past four years of grievous care have weighed upon the farmers and it appears to me that under this influence, doubt has arisen in regard to my promises and as to whether I should be able to keep them."

His Heart Was Sore.

"Nay, I found myself compelled to observe with a sore heart what in the circles of the nobility standing by the throne, my best intentions were misunderstood and to a certain extent combated."

"Nay more; word of opposition has been brought to my ears. Gentlemen, opposition of Prussian nobles to their king is a monstrosity. They are justified in forming an opposition only when they know the king to be at their head. This is a lesson taught by the history of our house."

"How often have my ancestors had to set themselves against misguided members of that class for the welfare of the whole community? The successor of him, who by his own right became sovereign duke in Prussia, will follow the same path as his great ancestor, and as once the first king of Prussia said: 'Ex me mea nata crovia,' and as his great son established his authority as Roder de Bronze, so I represent like my imperial grandfathers, the kingdom by the grace of God."

"Gentlemen, what oppresses you is equally felt by me; for I am the largest land proprietor in our state. I know very well that we are passing through hard times and my daily thought is how to help you. But you must support me in this, not by the means employed by the professional opposition of the parties you have so often rightly combated."

William's Late String Is Out.

"No, but by truthfully opening your hearts to your sovereign. My door is at all times open to each one of my subjects and I lend him ready aid. Let this henceforth be your course and I shall regard as effaced all that has happened."

"In order to make sure whether I have really fulfilled my promises, I ordered the compilation of measures adopted for the benefit of these provinces."

Emperor William then enumerated them and continued: "I shall continue my constant endeavors to provide for this land, and the very next budget will afford fresh proof of my paternal solicitude."

Gentlemen, let us regard the pressure weighing upon us and the time through which we are passing in the light of the Christian profession in which we have been educated, as a trial laid upon us by God. Let us preserve our minds in quietude, and endure with patience and firm resolution, hoping for better times, according to our old maxim, noblesse oblige."

A Stirring Ceremony.

"A stirring ceremony passed before our eyes on Tuesday. Before us stands that statue of William I, the imperial sword uplifted in his right hand, the symbol of law and order. It reminds us all of the arduous struggle with despotism against the very foundations of our constitutional and social life."

"Now, gentlemen, it is to you I this day address myself. Forward, to fight

for religion, for morality and for order against the parties of revolution. As ivy winds itself around the oak and beautifies it with leaves and protects it when tempests rage, so does the Prussian nobility close round my house. May it, and with it the whole of the nobility of the German nation become a bright example to those sections of the populace which are still wavering. Let us enter together upon this struggle."

"Onward with God and dishonor to him who forsakes his king!"
"In the hope that eastern Prussia will be the first province in line in this battle I raise my glass and quaff it to the prosperity of eastern Prussia and her inhabitants."

"Three cheers for the province."

TWO BAD FIRES.

Cause Four Fire Alarms and \$3,000 Damage.

Two for each fire.

The first fire was at 12:15 in the meat market of J. H. Schlegel at 903 West Sixth street. The fire started in the sawdust on top of the ice box and did about \$150 damage to building and contents. At 2:50 the firemen were called back to the same place to put out the fire which had started again. The last time \$100 damage was done. The owner, J. H. Grice, carried \$200 insurance.

The other and most serious fire occurred at the barn of Speed F. Hughes, 1335 Topeka avenue. The barn was used as a place of storage for most of the family furniture, and two of John Mulvan's carriages were also stored there. The fire was evidently incendiary. It gained such headway before it was discovered that nothing could be saved.

The loss is estimated at \$2,350. This was divided as follows: Household furniture \$1,700; carriages, \$300; damage to barn, \$350. There was \$200 insurance on the barn and \$1,000 on the contents. The alarm for this fire was sent in by telephone and later a box was pulled for the same fire, but the impression was conveyed that it was another fire and the entire fire department of the city was called out.

THEIR BEAUTIFUL TEMPLE

The Methodists Will Open the Big Harrison Street Church Tonight.

The First Methodist Episcopal church, corner of Sixth and Harrison streets, which has been closed during the last few weeks, will be opened tonight and the ladies committee of the church who will call to inspect the improvements which have been made.

Since the church was closed in July about \$3,000 has been expended on the building, and it presents a much improved appearance. The old roof has been replaced with a new one, on which 180,000 Oregon cedar shingles dipped in oil were used.

The interior improvements have been the most extensive. The walls have been calomined and frescoed a new and paint and varnish on the wood work has not been spared.

The entire building has been recarpeted. Eight hundred and three yards of new ingrain carpet have been put down in the main audience room, 244 yards in the lecture room, 116 yards in the lower parlor and 100 yards in the upper parlors.

The ladies' committee in charge of the interior improvements, consists of Mrs. E. M. Campbell, Mrs. J. L. Sheilabarger, and Mrs. Geo. M. Noble.

This evening visitors will be made welcome and will be shown through the church. Light refreshments will be served by the ladies of the church.

Several members of the church will speak and tell how the improvements were made.

GOING ON THE STAGE.

Johann Most, the Anarchist, to Become New York, Sept. 7.—Herr Most, the anarchist propagandist, announces that he is going on the stage. He will make his debut at the Thalia theater on the Bowery on the night of October 8, in "The Weavers," a play by Gerhardt Hauptmann, the author of "Hannele."

He and his troupe have been rehearsing for three weeks.

Most is confident that he will make a hit. The play is placed in Siberia in 1846, at the time of the bread famine.

Much blood is spilled in the concluding act, and it is in this part of the play that Most expects to make a strong presentation of his anarchist theories.

LOTS OF BAD LUCK.

Speed Hughes Loses a Barn and a Bicycle in One Day.

Speed Hughes, of the Bank of Topeka, had bad luck and lots of it, yesterday. His barn was burned last night, and besides that his new \$150 bicycle was stolen. He had ridden on it to his house at the corner of Fourteenth street and leaving his wheel against the gate went around the house for something. He was gone but a few minutes, and when he came back the bicycle was gone. He has notified the police, and they are on the lookout for it.

Elden H. Hayes Dead.
Elden H. Hayes, who lived with his family at 1029 Van Buren street, died at 5 o'clock this morning of consumption. He has been sick for more than a year, and some time ago went to Colorado, hoping to benefit his health. He was formerly employed in the auditor's office in the Santa Fe general offices. The funeral will be held from the residence at 3:30 p. m. Sunday.

Corn Duty Not a Success.

PARIS, Sept. 7.—The Journal des Debats today says that the corn duty has not produced the expected results. It adds that the warmest partisans of the present system are obliged to confess that they were mistaken.

Is He One of Dr. McCassey's Patients?

WAMEGO, Kan., Sept. 7.—A naked crazy man was found in an alley in this city this morning. Later he gave his name as A. A. Hoffman, and said he lived at Eldorado, Colo. He was taken to the county jail at Westmoreland.

WOMEN TRIUMPH.

A Fight for Purity in Denver Republican Primaries.

The Ring Didn't Want Women on Central Committee.

ASSERT THEMSELVES.

The Women Took an Active Part in the Elections.

And Won a Notable Victory Over the Machine.

Now the Machine Tries to Unseat Their Delegates.

DENVER, Sept. 7.—The women took an active part in the Republican primaries which elected delegates to the county convention which will elect delegates to the state convention, working in connection with the Business Men's league. They claim to have won a notable victory over the machine, the fruits of which, they say, the county committee is trying to rob them of by unseating the regularly elected delegates.

Warrants have been sworn out for some of the judges and the committee men who are charged with fraud. The contest was to decide whether the tramway gang or the court house gang should control the politics of the party in Arapahoe county.

The county central committee pretended to see in the just proposition to give women a representation in that body a scheme of the tramway to gain control of the machine. On the other hand members of the party outside of the ring, charged that Sam Emerich and his conspirators desired only to have control of the "stuff." They didn't want any women on the committee who would object to the usual machine methods of bribery and corruption. The women joined forces with the Business Men's league and made the fight to show their strength.

There were two sets of delegates in almost every precinct, one nominated by the gang committeemen and another placed in the field by the business men, endorsed by the women. At a late hour last evening there were many overtures of a compromise, but these were generally rejected. The gangsters' idea of a compromise in most cases was that the other side should surrender.

CIVIL SERVICE IDEAS.

Senator Householder Has Some That Ought to Work Well.

State Senator M. A. Householder, of the Populist household, being chairman of the state board of charities, is here today watching the proceedings in the supreme court.

To a STATE JOURNAL reporter Mr. Householder said he was anxious that the supreme court should clearly define the powers of the board of charities in the case which is now before them. Some of the attorneys in the case have said that the board of charities cannot even remove an officer for cause and Mr. Householder says he would like to have the supreme court put on that point.

Mr. Householder has all summer been working on a bill which he will urge before the next legislature, which will repeal all the present laws governing the state charitable institutions and enact an entirely new set of laws.

One of the principal features of Senator Householder's bill is, that it provides that not more than two members of the same political party shall be appointed on the state board of charities. He will also urge a provision for the retention in office of capable employees when the state administration changes.

Senator Householder says the enforcement of all the officers of the state charitable institutions in the state and all persons interested in charities which was to be held in Topeka this summer will be held in November after election.

At this meeting Senator Householder will submit his bill and will urge that it be recommended to the legislature for favorable consideration.

In regard to the secret investigation recently conducted at the asylum, Senator Householder said the board of charities has not yet completed its work of going over the evidence, and he intimates that it is not yet too late for investigation to amount to something.

BISHOPS SCORED.

Denver Methodist Ministers and Bishops Condemned by Rev. Mr. Passmore.

DENVER, Colo., Sept. 7.—Bishops, elders, secretaries, editors and ministers of the Methodist church received today a very pointed letter from Rev. F. F. Passmore, of Georgetown, who created a stir in Denver last summer by denouncing the soup house charity.

His letter is full of cutting language and accuses the bishops, ministers and others prominent in the church of giving countenance to saloons, gambling houses, theatres and other alleged evils.

Kansas Postmasters.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 7.—Postoffice appointments:
Kansas—Center, G. Rabourn; Dun, C. Adell; Grigsby, W. Nuff; Griswold, Jas. Crosby; Gurney, I. Race; Lyle, H. Andrews; Mineral Point, Alice Motier; Wheeler, Theodore Leatard.

Major B. L. Bickford Dead.

EL RENO, Ok., Sept. 7.—Major H. L. Bickford, a military contractor well known in the west, died suddenly here today of apoplexy. He is a pioneer Kansan, having resided for twenty years at Leavenworth.

The Republicans of the Second ward will hold another large meeting Friday evening at the grove at the east end of the viaduct. Colonel Geo. W. Veals and S. B. Bradford will address the audience. Everybody is invited.

ASKED THEM TO STRIKE.

Debs Requested All the Milwaukee Employees to Go Out, Says a Witness.

CHICAGO, Sept. 7.—The examination of railway strikers was begun today in the trial of the A. R. U. officials. Switchman Krieger, of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul, testified that Con McAuliffe, head of the Milwaukee A. R. U., had come to him with a request from Debs that all the Milwaukee railway men strike.

McAuliffe said that Debs was sure that we would win," the witness said, "and urged us to go out. I replied that if we could be assured that our places would be secure if the strike was lost that the men would strike. Not many of them went out, however."

A fireman on the St. Paul road testified that he had left his place because of intimidation, and the engineer on the same line was told that if he did not leave his engine he would never get out of Chicago alive.

Wm. L. Henry, of Kankakee, a switchman, produced a telegram he received at Kankakee July 1, signed E. V. Debs. It read: "Adopt measures to get Big Four out. Promise protection to all, whether members or not. Appoint good committee and wire name of chairman."

In the hearing today Judge Woods expressed the opinion that street car lines can be considered as other interstate commerce, because persons on route to railway stations to take the trains for distant points, ride on them. He also declared the business of the Union Stock yards to be interstate.

SHUT OUT THE BLACKS

Overmyer Says the Voice of Colored Men Should Be Suppressed.

WARRENSBURG, Mo., Sept. 7.—In the speech of David Overmyer of Kansas, made here yesterday he created a sensation by saying:

"Outside of the negro, whose ignorant voice should not be heard in this government so far as legislation and voting are concerned, the Democratic party outnumbers all parties and surpasses all in intelligence, might and dignity. Equal rights to all and special privileges to none is another righteous principle of Democracy focusing to the same end as the principle of strict construction of the constitution."

In speaking of his own state (Kansas) Mr. Overmyer said that he came from a country where the Democrats had to fight the devil, and that one who did not live there had no idea of the scorn and humiliation displayed toward a Democrat. He said that he had seen the iceberg that is so long that one cannot see the end of it. But the speaker expected to see Kansas restored to reason, released from the insane asylum and take her place in the galaxy of states, the most Democratic of Democratic states.

DRENCHED WITH RAIN.

The Drouth in Michigan, Wisconsin and Iowa Is Broken.

MILWAUKEE, Sept. 7.—The remarkable drouth throughout the west, which lasted for over two months was effectually broken last night when a furious rain was experienced. The rain area included all of Iowa, most of Michigan and all of Wisconsin, except the northwest portion.

POLITICS RAGES HOT.

It Causes a Big Crowd and Some Excitement on Kansas Avenue.

About a hundred people near the corner of Sixth street and Kansas avenue attracted a great deal of attention just before noon today.

In the crowd three or four men were gesticulating wildly as if they intended to annihilate the universe. That was not their intention, however, they were only expressing themselves on the political situation.

Wm. Orey and Nick North, colored men, engaged in the discussion, while talking for the Populists, Dr. H. D. Patee for the Democrats, and Thomas A. Bain and others for the Republicans. The colored men denied that the Democrats freed the colored people and Dr. Patee took the position that the Democrats were the only party which deserved the gratitude of the people. The Republicans were simply refuting the arguments.

Finally one of Chief Lindsey's policemen took a hand and threatened to arrest Dr. Patee for disturbing the peace. "I am disturbing your peace, am I?" said the doctor.

"Well, you can arrest me if you want to. Things are coming to a pretty pass when a man can't talk on the street."

The policeman finally walked off and the crowd dispersed.

HAD ONE BRISK ROUND.

A Chicago Alderman Attacks the Mayor's Private Secretary.

CHICAGO, Sept. 7.—The attaches of the mayor's office were treated this afternoon to a brisk one round mill between Alderman O'Connor of the Seventeenth ward and the mayor's private secretary, Felix Senoff.

O'Connor claimed he had been insulted and sought satisfaction with such well directed enthusiasm that Mr. Senoff was badly battered when rescued by his friends. His injuries were not dangerous and no arrests were made.

Christian Conference Officers.

ATLANTA, Kas., Sept. 7.—The Fifth district Christian conference closed after electing the following officers: J. Piezett, Manhattan, president; M. S. Dunning Abilene, secretary; J. C. McArthur, Vinland, treasurer. Next year's meeting will be held at Manhattan.

The STATE JOURNAL'S Want and Miscellaneous columns reach each working day in the week more than twice as many Topeka people as can be reached through any other paper. This is a fact.

Mrs. James Grove of Auburndale died at her home of consumption and was buried yesterday afternoon in the Topeka cemetery. She was 23 years old.

G. E. Shultz of Topeka was last night elected assistant secretary of the Kansas City, Kas., Y. M. C. A.